



# FORWARD

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Near Unanimous Vote

## Congregation Votes For A Home of Our Own!

Voices erupted spontaneously in a spirited rendition of "Haveinu Shalom Aleichem" at the May 15 Congregational meeting with the announcement that a vote to purchase the building at 201 Caselli Avenue received near unanimous approval. With *over 90%* voting in favor, this decision represents perhaps the greatest show of solidarity in the history of Sha'ar Zahav.

*Our New Home! 201 Caselli Avenue*

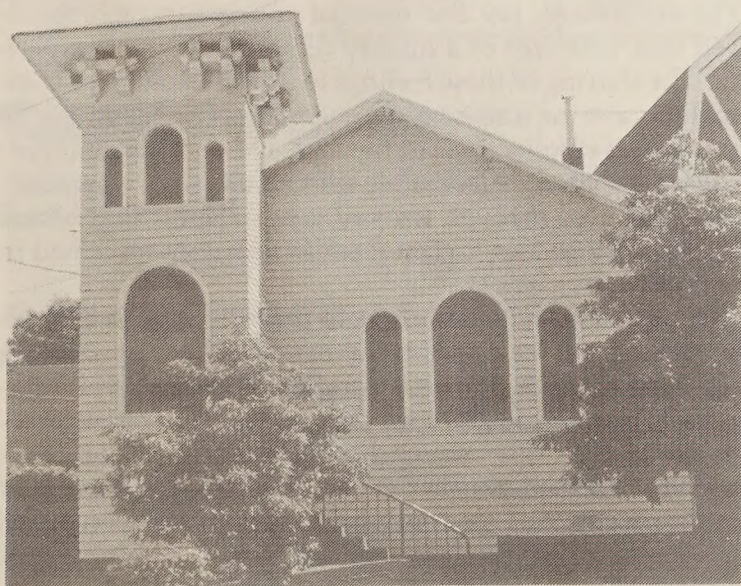


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### Important Notice!

The location of our regular shabbat services has been changed to 201 Caselli Avenue (corner of Danvers), The Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints, our future home!

The vote to purchase the property culminated a three-year search process that encompassed the investigation of many alternatives, including our attempt to acquire the Bush Street Synagogue. (This synagogue, however, will not be available in the foreseeable future, however, due to actions of the Redevelopment Commission.)

As described in an earlier mailing to members, the Va'ad had empowered the Building Committee to negotiate a purchase agreement on the building at 201 Caselli which would be entirely conditional upon Congregational approval. When an agreement was reached, it was decided that the Congregation should get the "feel" of the building by holding our regular Friday night services there on May 6 and 13. The general feeling at those services was very positive, especially when we made the rafters resound in song.

To assist the Congregation in evaluating the many facets of the purchase, the Building Committee gave a thorough presentation which included a full description of considerations in the selection of this site, plans for financing, estimated operating costs and planned utilization of the building. In addition, a step-by-step summary was given of the negotiating process and the Va'ad's decision-making process in bringing the building to the Congregation for final consideration. Building Committee Chair, Don Albert, was joined by Paul Cohen, Allan Berenstein, Ron Wohlberg and Nancy Meyer in making this presentation. In addition to the financial details, the most important points stressed were the need of our "family" for a "home," the potential of this building in meeting our needs for worship, regular space for Va'ad and committee meetings, expanded educational and social programs and a Synagogue office.

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## Honors Awarded for Service To the Congregation

**A**T THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, May 15, Cheryl Orvis, president, created a new Sha'ar Zahav tradition in recognizing several very hard-working members of our Congregation.

For exceptional work during the past year, the following members were named to Sha'ar Zahav's Honor Roll (soon to be placed in our new home): Don Albert, Leslie Bergson, Bruce Katz, Eric Keitel, Gary Koenigsberg, Nancy Meyer, Alita Rosenfeld, Jerry Rosenstein and Sharon Saslovsky.

For exceptional work and dedication over, at least, the last two years, Cheryl presented lovely silver Chamsahs to: Larry Chandler, Paul Cohen, Aaron Cooper, Mark Feldman, David Gass, Allan Gold, Irene Ogus, Leila Raim, Mike Rankin and Alan Schrager.

For boundless dedication for what seems like forever, Daniel Chesir and Ron Lezell were presented with beautiful sterling silver Kiddush cups.

Cheryl announced that we are awaiting Certificates of Appreciation, which are being prepared for us by the UAHC, and that they will be awarded during the installation of Officers and Va'ad on July 8.

Just as Cheryl thought she was finished, Daniel Chesir returned to the stage to present Cheryl with an engraved silver bowl to express the Congregation's appreciation for all her work as our president during this past tumultuous and productive year.

In the past, as Laurie Radovsky used to say, anything we did twice became a tradition with our Congregational family. The joy we all shared in by the awarding of well-deserved Honors was so great that it has already established itself as a tradition.

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## President's Column

**I**T IS ALWAYS DIFFICULT FOR ME to express in writing an event which was accompanied by strong emotional feelings. At our Congregational meeting May 15, the emotions of the day translated in an aura of joy in working and being together. This aura surrounded our meeting, glowing brighter and more vivid as the day progressed. Writing about a meeting which became an "experience" is difficult, doing so without sounding rhetorical and pollyanna-like is nearly impossible. I realize that, and still feel compelled to try to convey a sense of what the meeting was like and why, I believe, it was the almost perfect expression of the "State of the Congregation."

To this end, all who attended can bear witness to the manner in which the day unfolded! Surely, my own (well earned!) reputation as one not given to effusive, emotional public "love-isms" should established me as a fairly realistic sort. Honestly and realistically, I must tell you that there was magic at that meeting. Yes, magic! The feeling of goodwill and the desire to work together in a caring and supportive way was palpable. Opinions were expressed fully and openly and all views were thoroughly discussed. The setting helped to create a feeling of excitement; we were meeting in the location under consideration that day, to become "a home of our own." The people, and the mood we all brought into that meeting, created the magic. The sense of movement and commitment to ourselves, our Congregation, and our gay, lesbian and Jewish communities was so intense and clear as to have seemed magical. Good work was accomplished with good humor and mutual respect. The decision was ultimately reached (by a nearly unanimous vote) that 201 Caselli will be the long-sought dream—our own home!

The excitement, joy and sense of anticipation which followed that vote was of a quality remarkable in my experience. The sharing of these feelings in an atmosphere of communality gave me a sense of intimacy and closeness; one of my strongest recollections of the day. The spontaneous rendition of "Shalom Aleichem" which followed was sung, danced, shouted through tears of joy. I suspect that others share my feeling that the moment is indelibly inscribed in the mind's eye.

I feel renewed and rededicated to the myriad activities necessary for the continued strengthening of our synagogue family. I believe we all have strong feelings now of our maturity and power. Indeed, the subtle recognition of our powerfulness and the quiet strength which emanates from such awareness, formed another aspect of our Congregational meeting magic. As I said in my "Report to the Congregation," a copy of which all members received, "our potential is unlimited..." I think we've always known that, yet, somehow, the moment now seem sup on us when we can tap into that potential in the most meaningful way as a family.

Let us commit our innermost resources to building our future upon the groundwork laid by generations of members from the very inception of our Congregation. We are ready to claim our future and you can be sure it will reflect who we are—gay and lesbian Jewish people who are strong, who are myriad and passionate, who are one and who are free. In the ultimate tradition of our People, we are growing from strength to strength.

—Cheryl Orvis  
President



## Our Family's Response To the Problem of AIDS

**A**QUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS) destroys the body's natural immune system and leaves its victim prey to cancers and other infections it cannot easily fight off. Whether or not we have contracted AIDS, all of us are affected by the scourge of AIDS. The family of Sha'ar Zahav has decided to respond actively to this situation and do what it can for its members and friends stricken or otherwise affected by this baffling new disease.

1. *Money:* Through the foresight of Mark Feldman, the Congregation has established the *Phooey on AIDS* fund. Contributions (tax deductible), of course) are needed to provide emergency funds for congregants and friends who are AIDS patients—for transportation to and from treatment, housekeeping, etc. In addition, money from the fund is used to help disseminate important AIDS-related information to our Congregation—whether through printed materials, presentations or sponsored awareness groups.

2. *Home care for AIDS patients.* A volunteer committee has formed to provide practical assistance to congregants and friends who are stricken by AIDS and related life threatening diseases. We can clean, shop, cook and provide transportation—not to mention just the support of our presence.

3. *Blood bank.* The Women's Havurah of Sha'ar Zahav has taken on the responsibility of keeping up the Congregation's blood credits at the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank. (See related article on their recent blood drive.) This is especially important since local blood banks have made it increasingly difficult for gay men to give blood. The credits are available to every congregant and friend who needs them—especially AIDS patients in need.

4. *Positive social/political action.* An investigation of just what avenues are open to members and friends of the Congregation for direct political action is being coordinated by Aaron Cooper. Massive funding is urgently needed for research and treatment; we all must realize that funds of this magnitude will only come through national governmental action which means political pressure. Our participation in the May 2 AIDS march brought many of us to a new level of awareness in this respect and challenged us to act. Aaron will soon enumerate further options available for us to exert such pressure.

5. *Inter-religious ties.* Working together with other religious groups coping with this problem can only improve our outreach to our members and friends. Rabbi Ben Marcus is involved with the *Inter-religious Coalition* made up of other gay and lesbian groups in the area. We are currently exploring how we at Sha'ar Zahav can actively involve ourselves with the *Religious Task Force* of the Shanti Project—more on this as it evolves.

The gay and lesbian community is mobilizing itself for the long haul against the disease—in addition to confronting the continuing apathy and seeming lack of concern of our nation's political power structure.

Our response to AIDS? We do what we can, and if we find that we can, we must!

—David Stein

## Report From Our Congregational Meeting

**W**ITH OVERWHELMING enthusiasm and solidarity, our Congregation voted, after very careful and lengthy consideration, to purchase the property at 201 Caselli Ave. The three year process which brought us to this happy day was thoroughly reviewed by the Building Committee in a very detailed and well thought out presentation. We now open a five month escrow period during which we will reach our fundraising goal of \$240,000. On October 15, we will OWN OUR HOME!!

The following persons were elected to terms beginning July 1, 1983: Mike Rankin, President; Eric Keitel, Recorder; David Stein, Treasurer; Allan Berenstein, Mark Feldman, Ron Lezell, Nancy Meyer, members-at-large of the Va'ad.

A new membership dues structure was approved which maintains the minimal dues at \$60 per year and reduces low-end dues for mid-to-upper income levels.

The fiscal 1983-84 budget was approved indicating \$54,830 in revenues and \$36,355 in expenses.

Several By-Laws amendments were approved: (1) allowing petition candidates for President and Vice President to run only when a candidate has already been nominated by the Election Committee; (2) the membership and mailing lists are designated clearly as confidential (which has always been our unwritten practice); (3) the creation of a process for the removal of Va'ad members from office, for the violation of specified standards, after a fair hearing; (4) stipulation requiring a 60% vote in Congregational decisions involving the acquisition or selling of real property and in hiring a rabbi for the first time.

The business meeting was followed by a joyous buffet dinner.

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### New Home (continued from page 1)

This presentation was followed by a lengthy discussion marked by the general enthusiasm of the Congregation and the concern that we make a careful decision in undertaking such a project and accepting such a responsibility. Finally the question was called and secret ballot ensued. The Congregation voted to purchase 201 Caselli by over 90%.

The three year search is over. A new and vital process has begun. Over the next five months our goal of \$240,000 must be achieved. The campaign, in which we will all participate, is underway and in very able hands. Joining Don Albert (chair) are Walt Leiss as Honorary Chair, Irene Ogus, who will serve as chair of the building fund drive, Ron Lezell who will coordinate public relations, Allan Berenstein, in charge of operations, and Ron Wohlberg, who will oversee finance.

So now the serious work begins. Our fundraising goal will be reached . . . and on October 15 we will finally own a home of our own. In the meantime, so as not to have to wait to use the building, we will be holding our Friday night services at 201 Caselli Avenue effective immediately. So come and join us on Friday nights, to share in our good feelings towards our home. And watch for announcements, or contact Don Albert (415) 826-0785 to offer your time, effort and suggestions.



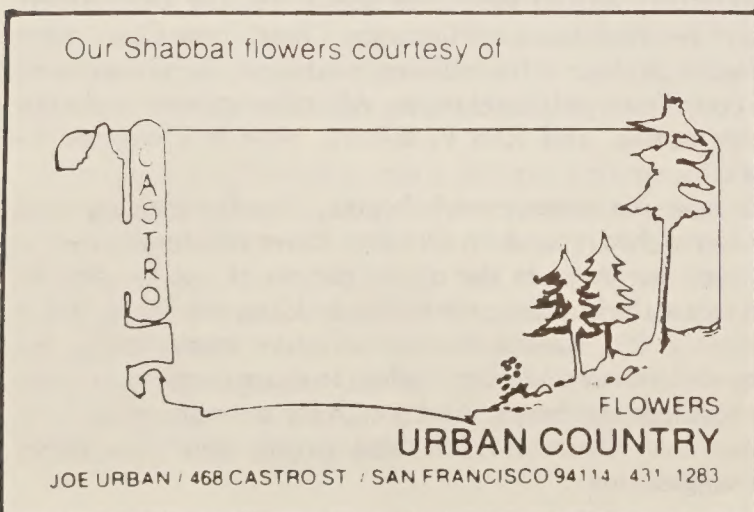
## Women's Blood Drive Achieves 'Chai'

**I**F YOU HAPPENED to drop by the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank on Saturday, May 15, you might have noticed a rather unusual 20th century scene taking place. Sprawled out comfortably on the expansive couches were women members and friends, their blood pumping out at varying speeds, each one either clicking her fingers to the pulsations of "Fame" or maybe nodding vigorously to the Brandenburg No. 5 or just rocking gently to Vivaldi's Four Seasons.

The event was the Women's Havurah-sponsored Blood Drive. What a wonderful way to spend a Shabbos morning—that was how all 23 of us participating felt. Upon arrival, each woman was greeted by the fine Irwin staff, interviewed to ensure she qualified. Only one, an R.N. who is regularly exposed to hepatitis, was turned down. The donor was then ushered into our own "Oneg" room where she selected the music of her choice. Armed with a walkperson, she was escorted to her couch by a S.Z. candystriper to receive lots of T.L.C. during the session. "Virgin" donors, and there were three of these brave souls, qualified for foot-massages! After donating, each woman returned to the room set up for us by Irwin where a trio of marvelous males from Sha'ar Zahav served us juices, fruit and muffins. "Would you like your muffin buttered?" was heard each time. "No, don't get up—sit and we'll serve you," they told us. Each donor also received a rose as a gift from Mark Feldman, expressing his appreciation.

To Allan Berenstein, Steve Greenberg and Mark Mendelow—thank you so much for sharing this very special morning with the Women's Havurah. To the following women—our thanks again—but we know that you know just how good it felt to give that precious gift that your healthy bodies can replace so quickly: Joanie Becker, Joan Blazewick, Ellyn Bloomfield, Diana Buchland, Carrie Cranchetti, Joyce Garay, Sheryl Goldberg, Dvora Honigstein, Kim Hettena, Jessie, Joanne, Sherie Kostlover, Yolanda S., Janice Macomber, Jan Medina, Nancy Meyer, L. Dena Petersen, Alita Rosenfeld, Dana Vinicoff and Ami Zusman. Our thanks also go to the several women who could not make the Saturday date and donated at other times during that week.

This day exemplified the very best in our Congregational family, and was symbolically significant that the total number of pints donated that day was 18: "Chai." We were all very proud.



## Gay Freedom Day

On Sunday, June 26, the Congregation will be an active participant in the Gay Freedom Day parade and parade activities. Plan on marching and singing with other members and friends of the Synagogue under the Sha'ar Zahav banner as we head up Market Street to the Civic Center. At the Civic Center, we'll again have a booth at which fresh knishes (heavy on the cheese) and juices will be for sale. As this goes to print, the time and meeting place have not been determined. When known, this information will be announced at services or you may call the Synagogue office at 921-7612.

If you are able to assist in the preparations or in staffing the booth for an hour or so, please call David Stein (648-4818) or Ron Lezell (621-3930). We hope to see you on this festive occasion.

## Women's Havurah Shabbaton

The Women's Havurah event for June will be a Shabbaton (Sabbath observance) to be held June 18. Women members of the Ritual Committee will present a program to familiarize women with Sha'ar Zahav's liturgy. For those already acquainted with the liturgy, we will study the history and development of our prayers.

The shabbaton will begin at 10 a.m., and will be followed by brunch. The location is as yet undetermined. For more information, please call the Synagogue office at 921-7612.

## Treasurer's Report

**T**HE LEADERSHIP OF THE CONGREGATION has taken a fiscally conservative approach to Synagogue management this year, supporting a policy of strict cost accountability. We have promptly met all of our financial obligations, have kept our committees running effectively, and have actually increased our total fund balance since the beginning of the year. We anticipate that we will end the year with a positive fund balance.

It is important to understand some of the details of the Synagogue's revenues and expenses. The Synagogue has two categories of funds: restricted and unrestricted. Restricted funds are those designated for specific purposes. There are currently five restricted funds: AIDS, Educational Program, Prayerbook, Harvey Milk, and Discretionary (for emergency assistance to individuals). This year our restricted fund balance increased significantly. A large part of this was from the generous outpouring to the AIDS Fund. While the actual cash from restricted funds is available to pay ongoing operating costs, those cash expenditures must eventually be replaced from the general unrestricted fund.

The unrestricted fund is designated for all maintenance and operating expenses. At present, the unrestricted fund is less than at the beginning of the year. That is, our general expenses and costs for committee activities have exceed the unrestricted revenues (membership dues, pushke, donations, newsletter advertising, and fundraising). However, the large unrestricted fund surplus at the beginning of the

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ה 5	ו 6	ז 7	ח 8	ט 9	י 10 Newsletter Deadline	יא 11 Rosh Chodesh A
כ 12 Rosh Chodesh B	כא 13 Va'ad Meeting	כב 14	כג 15	כד 16	כה 17	כו 18 Women's Havurah Shabbaton
כז 19	כח 20	כט 21	ל 22	א' 23	ב' 24	ג' 25
א' 26 PARADE	ב' 27 Finance Committee	ג' 28 East Bay Brunch	ד' 29	ה' 30 Ritual Committee		

## Ritual Calendar

Friday,  
June 3  
Torah: Shelah Lecha, Num. 13:1-15:41  
Haftarah: Joshua 2:1-24  
Joanne Woolf and Dubi Barcan, Services

Friday,  
June 10  
Shabbat Rosh Hodesh  
Torah: Korah, Num. 16:1-18:32  
Special Torah Reading: Num. 28:9-15  
Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1-24  
Daniel Chesir, Services

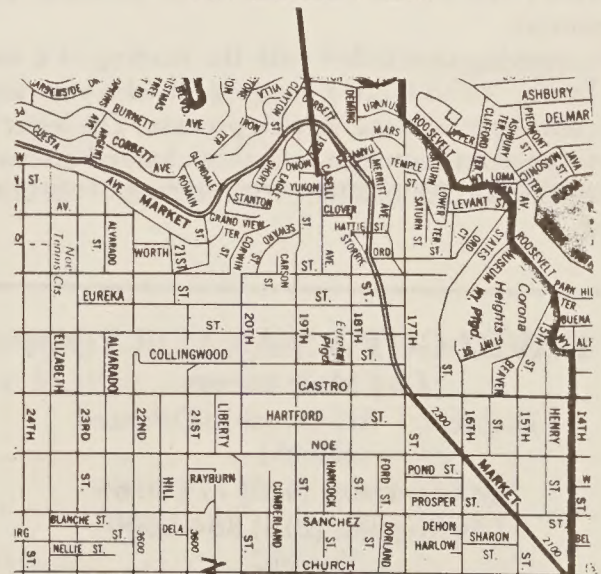
Friday,  
June 17  
Torah: Hukat, Num. 19:1-22:1  
Haftarah: Judges 11:1-33  
Leslie Bergson, Services

Friday,  
June 24  
Torah: Balak, Num. 22:2-25:9  
Haftarah: Micah 5:6-6:8  
Torah Service  
Bar Mitzvah: Mike Rankin  
Garry Koenigsberg, Services

Services are held each Friday night at 8:15 at the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints, 201 Caselli Avenue (corner of Danvers).

## OUR NEW HOME!

201 Caselli Avenue



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(The #33 Ashbury operates on a 20-minute headway)



## Va'ad Report

**P**REPARATORY DISCUSSIONS about the May 15 semi-annual Congregational meeting occupied much of the agenda at May's Va'ad meeting. The Va'ad consensus was that a comprehensive review be presented to the Congregation of the Building Committee's process in the negotiations for 201 Caselli, the history of those negotiations, followed by an open discussion by the membership. The Va'ad received and discussed the results of the recent Membership Survey. In recognition that portions of this survey bear greatly on the issues to be discussed May 15, a decision was made to distribute a summary of these results to the full Congregation preceding the May 15 meeting.

In other Va'ad business:

- Cheryl Orvis, President, read a letter received from Rabbi Morris Hershman, UAHC regional director. The letter was Rabbi Hershman's response to the Va'ad following Sha'ar Zahav's exclusion from a city-wide Yom Ha'Atzmaut observance advertised as sponsored by "the Reform Congregations of San Francisco." Rabbi Hershman acknowledged the validity of the Va'ad's grievance and wrote critically to the other Reform congregations about this occurrence, as well as the failure to have included the UAHC in the celebration.

- Irene Ogus, ad hoc coordinator of this year's "Advance" (at which Va'ad members and committee chairs spend a weekend working on Congregation policy and business) introduced group consultant Sharon Mulgrew as a possible facilitator for the Advance. Sharon described the work she does in assisting organizations and boards of directors in problem-solving and communication skills.

- Treasurer Allan Gold presented the Budget for Fiscal Year 1983-84. A projected budget of \$54,830 in revenues and \$36,355 in expenses was reviewed by the Va'ad, prior to presentation and approval by the Congregation on May 15.

- Upon the recommendation of Jerry Rosenstein, a decision was made to designate those city hospitals with AIDS clinics (e.g., S.F. General, UCMed) as recipients of the Synagogue's available blood bank credits at the end of the year when Irwin Blood Bank closes all accounts prior to their renewal.

- The meeting concluded with the reading of a letter received by the Va'ad from a congregant who was unhappy with recent aspects of the Va'ad's process. The letter stimulated animated and sometimes highly-charged discussion as Va'ad members examined the pros and cons of the criticisms received.

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## Treasurer's Report (continued from page 4)

year absorbed these excess expenses. During the last few months our membership has grown significantly, dues are increasing, and collections and services have increased 50% over prior months. We are confident that outstanding dues and collections will balance the expenses for the remainder of the fiscal year. In addition, some prepaid 1983-84 dues will be released to the unrestricted fund on July 1.

The committees have shown a tremendous amount of fiscal responsibility this year. They have all managed to operate well below the budgets established for them a year ago, and yet have provided quality activities and services. Some examples of the ways in which money was saved was the trimming of the newsletter mailing list, better updating of addresses (to avoid return postage expenses), and requesting donations for newsletter mailings to non-members. Our copier, which was donated last fall, has helped to save copying expenses, which are always considerable. Advertising and promotion, an important expense item, has been kept within reasonable bounds through the efforts of the Public Relations Committee. Specific donations to Oneg and Bikur Cholim have reduced those committee expenses. The "Push-A-Key" campaign raised money for a new office typewriter, and provided an amusing way for members and friends to donate money. Special activities such as the Chanukah Raffle and Megillah Madness were good fundraisers, and will undoubtedly be more so next year.

I am proud to say that modern technology has been introduced to the financial life of the Synagogue. With the help of Jerry Rosenstein's Apple Computer, we are producing very fine computerized monthly financial reports and the entire membership billing is computerized as well.

At the end of my term of office, I feel a great sense of accomplishment. I have enjoyed serving the Congregation in this way, have learned much about the workings of a volunteer organization, and have had great fun meeting members and (I must admit) doing the weekly Pushke Pitch. I am confident that we have weathered our financially uncertain period, and look forward to continued fiscal growth during the coming year. My special thanks to the Finance Committee for their support, guidance, and tolerance of my sometimes volatile outbursts. And of course, thanks to Paul Cohen, my lover, who had to put up with me this year.

—Allan P. Gold, Treasurer 1982-1983

## Contributions

All contributions to Sha'ar Zahav are listed in the *Forward* unless otherwise requested. Contributions of any denomination are gratefully accepted and acknowledged.

In the past few months we have received donations from the following benefactors:

*For the General Fund:* Laurie Zimet, Don Albert, Allan Gold & Paul Cohen, Mark Mendelow, Alita Rosenfeld, Helen H., Cheryl Orvis, Keith Barton & William Good, Walter Leiss, Paul Glachman, Ann Lenway, A. Taylor, C. McClanahan, and three anonymous contributions.

*For the "Phooey on Aids" Fund:* Toby Nedler, Gerry Rosenstein, Mike Rankin, Gary Koenigsberg, A. Salbe, Jonathan Funk, Yo S., J. Stone, Mr. & Mrs. Feldman, D&P Fetzner, D. Shor, J. Geller, J. Anderson, Steven Elman, and two anonymous contributions.



## NINE INNING STANZAS

for Ariel

### I

The Sha'ar Zahav Women's Havurah  
First-Sunday-in-May Softball Game Poem

### II

This debut game got off to a sluggish start,  
yet by top o' the third we'd taken heart  
when the rains came—lunch was called;  
this might knell the end of the game.

### III

The Jewish Picnic  
at the Julius Kahn Playground,  
The Presidio, San Francisco.

Not a crumb of chocolate log remained.  
There were, however, left-overs  
to be shared, of:  
chicken  
three kinds of sausage (one kosher)  
pretzels  
potato salad/cole slaw/bean salad/mixed green salad/  
fruit salad/pickles  
noodles charlotte  
potato chips  
ecumenical apple cake  
watermelon.  
Not a crumb of chocolate log remained.

### IV

We quickly decamped to a cover of glade,  
but the fit, the cement was still to be made.  
The Kugels, the Knishes—both teams so alike—  
just some fags and some Jews and some kids and some  
dykes.

### V

Then on came Lezell and the sun and the spirit;  
the fielding improved and the cheers—you could hear it!  
The batting picked up with some grounders, some triples,  
and the runs scoring home came in gushes not trickles.

### VI

The View, (Sitting  
Next to a Man Named David) from the Bleachers

After eating and rain showers and the incident  
involving the frightened woman and the Sha'ar  
Zahavnik's dog and the Military Police, we coalesced  
to an Us: Two teams—a gestalt—by seventh-inning  
stretch.

And then—in the heat of an eight-inning rally—Cheryl was  
carried  
across home plate! Ron Lezell, in an antelope rush  
rounded third base,  
lifted the also-running Madam President off her feet  
and carried her  
—so she would, as required, precede him—'cross home  
plate: the Knish  
Captain and her star player scoring, *ensemble*, the team's  
eleventh  
and twelfth runs.

### VII

A Sartorial Aside

There was one real uniform:  
Blue-and-white striped and properly coordinated,  
its smudges bespeaking hard playing; symmetry in the eye  
of disorder

### VIII

The final tally? . . . unimportant. But the outcome's  
quite plain:  
The tradition that's started is more than a game.

### IX

Score: Kugels 25  
Knishes 17

Scorekeeper: Jan

—D.B. Kreitzberg

## Jewish Calendar 5744

*The Jewish Calendar 5744* is now available and the Congregation is once again ordering copies at a substantial discount.

Editors Michael Strassfeld and Richard Siegel have compiled a beautiful and meaningful guide to the Jewish year. This engagement calendar features interesting facts and information about Jewish history, religion, and everyday life in America and Israel in addition to Sabbath and holiday candlelighting times. The format is the same as last year: 128 pages, 50 illustrations, 6 x 9 spiral bound.

*The Jewish Calendar* will be available at \$5.50 per copy.

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## June Happy Birthdays!

2	Nina Wouk	10	David Ring
2	Joanne Woolf	23	Steve Klein
3	David Hyman	24	Carol Segal
4	Steven Rosenberg	26	Marc Lipschutz
7	Alisa Steckel	28	Josh Friedman
8	Norman Burns	28	Ted Greenberg
9	Minelle Miller	28	Cynthia Schorr
10	Daniel Chesir	28	Lisa Katz

## "Who Are My People?"

The 8th International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews will be held in Miami, Florida, August 4 through 7, 1983.

*So come to Miami in August and:*

- Walk miles of beautiful sandy beaches
- Stretch your mind
- Be seduced by balmy breezes and moonlit nights
- Swim in warm crystal clear ocean waters
- Stand proudly with your gay brothers and lesbian sisters
- Fatten your puny international address book
- Love and respect your Jewishness, your sexuality and your humanity
- Extend your vacation with special tours
- BE THERE!!!

Sign up early, as registration is limited. For registration information, contact: The 8th International Conference Committee, Metropolitan Community Synagogue of Greater Miami, 19094 West Dixie Highway, North Miami Beach, Florida, 33180.

## Mazel Tov!

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## June Yahrzeits

4	Claude Wybrecht, lover of Ralph Vissell
8	(27 Sivan) Perel Berenstein, grandmother of Allan Berenstein
10	Don Raymond Bell, friend/son of Louis Bornstein and lover/friend of Richard Bornstein
10	(29 Sivan) Jay Cohn, brother of Herbert Cohn
21	Virginia Anne Corman, mother of Tanyan Corman
26	Leo Miller, father of Marilyn Miller
30	Thomas Tannehaus, cousin of Bruce Katz

## Jewish Feminist Conference

The 1983 Jewish Feminist Conference, originally scheduled for the San Francisco Bay Area in July, has been postponed until September. All Jewish women are invited to attend the conference at that time. Workshops, cultural and spiritual events are planned as well as the display and sale of arts and crafts by Jewish women. For further information, call 865-5374 or write to the Jewish Feminist Conference, 1442A Walnut Street, #349, Berkeley, CA 94709.

## Join the East-Bay-For-Lunch-Bunch

We happily announce the reconvening of the monthly East Bay luncheons for Sha'ar Zahavniks and our friends. On the last Tuesday of each month we will share good food and good fun. Please plan on joining us any time you are able. The June luncheon will be on June 28 at noon at Bok Sen Restaurant, 701 Webster St. (between 7th & 8th Sts.) in Oakland. Please call Sharon Saslovsky at 821-7846 to make your reservation. We look forward to seeing lots of our "family" there.

## Gay Week Prayer Vigil

THE FESTIVAL OF PRAYER COMMITTEE has invited us to participate in a 24-hour prayer vigil commencing on Saturday, June 18 and concluding with an inter-faith service on Sunday evening, June 19, 1983 to be held at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco. The prayer will be three-fold: prayer of thanksgiving, prayer of reconciliation and peace; and prayer of celebration. This Festival of Prayer will mark the beginning of Lesbian/Gay Pride Week.

For further information call Gregory Williams, The Parsonage, 864-6849 or 776-6611; or Jim Earhart, Dignity/San Francisco, 621-2223.

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